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News and Events

IRiS Project Updated

Core training for the Colleague software system started today (Monday) and will continue through Wednesday. The Project Management Team members are focusing on demographics, organization information, facilities profile, and staff and faculty information modules, as well as defining the campus calendar.

Project Management Team members are: Nick Battaglia, Gail Bradshaw, Linda Buyer, Karen Kissel, Pete Mizera, Christine Radtke, Michele Smith-Williams, Freda Whisenton-Comer, and Yakeea Daniels.



Following this week's training, team leaders will be able to identify key processes and modules in the Core application, convey why data is maintained in the Core application, maintain demographic and facilities information in Colleague, begin building shared codes within Colleague, and outline steps for training other users. Team leaders will also get their first look at Colleague and begin learning how to navigate the software system.

Also this week, Dr. Dave Oehler, Datatel consultant, is continuing his Business Process Analysis mapping workshops. He will meet today with Finance and Billing and with Admissions on Tuesday. On Wednesday and Thursday, team leaders and members will gather throughout the day to discuss their progress and any issues they may have encountered.

The IRiS Project website is up and running. New items have been added. You can visit the website at <https://gsunet.govst.edu/IRIS>.

Registration Dates Added

In order to best meet students' registration needs for Fall 2010 classes, GSU will offer 16 additional registration days prior to the beginning of the Fall Semester on August 30, 2010.

The amended calendar provides for uninterrupted access to course registration through Saturday, September 4. (We have eliminated the previously published break in registration during August.)

All students are encouraged to take advantage of the additional registration dates, which will be of particular benefit to newly admitted students.

Please inform any students who you advise or have contact with of this change. All questions should be directed to the Office of the Registrar at 708.534.4500.

Campus Postings

Facilities, Development Management is busy preparing the campus to welcome students this fall. As part of that preparation, many corridors are being painted. In an effort to maintain a crisp, professional, and clutter-free environment in the corridors and public spaces, Facilities and Public Relations are developing a protocol for the display of posters, notices, flyers, event signs etc.

The protocol will be distributed soon, but in the meantime, please do not post any signs, flyers, notices, brochures etc. on walls or doors. Tape, tacks, staples, nails, adhesives, and other fasteners cause permanent damage walls and doors. Bulletin boards, display cases etc., which were removed to accommodate painting work, are currently under review for appropriateness of condition, quantity, and location.

Please submit requests for all signage to FDM. Once the signage policy is complete, accommodations will be made accordingly. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

As always, postings on the 11 bulletin boards maintained by Student Life require prior approval. Submit 12 copies of the flyer, poster, notice etc. for posting at the Welcome Center.

Picnic Fun for Everyone

Food, games, prizes, and a fun-filled day in the sun are on the agenda Thursday, August 12, when the Civil Service Senate and GSU SPIRIT Committee are sponsoring the GSU Summer Picnic.

Mark your calendar for the picnic, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., for GSU students, faculty, and staff.

It's a perfect opportunity to enjoy a summer day, munch on a hot dog, and get together with other members of the GSU community.

To reserve a spot at the picnic, RSVP to gsusummerpicnic@govst.edu.

Holy Mackerel!



Students can win free tickets to Wrigley Field for the Cubs-Pirates game on Wednesday, September 1. GSU's Student Senate is giving away 60 pairs of tickets to the ball game, which starts at 1:20 p.m.

Students can sign up for a ticket lottery by sending an email to studentsenate@govst.edu. Only current GSU students are eligible and only one entry per student is allowed. The email must include student name and ID number, email

address, phone number, and if you wish to reserve a seat on the bus to the game. Free bus transportation will be provided by GSU.

All entries must be received by August 13. Winners will be announced August 18.

GSU Team Name Contest

Let GSU choose names for its sports teams and university mascot. As GSU's table tennis and volleyball teams enter their new seasons, the university is picking an official team name, along with a university mascot name. While the team name and university mascot can be related, (e.g. NIU's teams are the Huskies and the university mascot is a husky), or unique, (e.g. the Chicago American League baseball team is the White Sox, and the mascot is Southpaw).

Submit your entry to GSU's *Name our Teams* contest through August 16. The contest is open to all members of the GSU community. Entries should be submitted to Student Life at saasnews@govst.edu and should include the proposed team and/or mascot name, participant's name, phone number, and email address.

\$50 gift cards will be awarded for the winning entries.



GSU's team name will be introduced at a table tennis tournament hosted by the university in November.

Pierre on the Road

In his own game of *Where's Waldo*, "Pierre had some fun playing hide 'n' seek with Joan Vaughan of Institutional Advancement. It took a while but Pierre was found - after making lots of new friends!

In a recent trip to D.C. with Nick Battaglia, Interim Assistant Vice



President for Enrollment Management Services, Pierre visited his favorite home away from home, playing with the girls and Bo before returning home.



On his cross country trip with CHHS student Anna Jannak and her family, Pierre visited his good friend, Burgess Meredith, in Hollywood and then onto San Juan Capistrano for some quiet reflection on how wonderful it is to be Pierre, the unofficial GSU mascot.



There are so many places to see and so many friends to travel with. Pierre is loving every minute of it. He is having so much fun, in fact, that the Take Pierre on Vacation photo

contest has been extended until September 6, 2010.

For information on how you can pick up your own Pierre the Penguin to take on a trip near or far, and how to enter the Take Pierre on Vacation photo contest, go to Pierre's [webpage](#).



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